

KINGMAN FIELD OFFICE SCOPING FORM

DOI-BLM-AZ-C010-2015-0015-EA RR 18/V S:\Blmshare\nepa\ea_eis\Special Recreation Permits\Motorized\FY 15

NEPA Document Number RMP Implementation No. Document Location

Land Description: Black Mountains Ecosystem

Applicant: Kiwanis Club of the Colorado River

Authorization: SRP #AZ-310-15-002

INVOLVEMENT: Indicate in the left column which disciplines need to provide information into the EA.

Needed Input (X)	Discipline	Signature
	Lands	
	Minerals	
	Range	
X	Wild Horse and Burro	/s/ Chad Benson 3-23-15
X	General Recreation	/s/ Matthew Driscoll 3-23-15
	Cultural and Paleontological Resources	
X	Wilderness	/s/ Matthew Driscoll 3-23-15
	Soils	
	Surface and Groundwater Quality/Water Rights	
	Air Quality	
X	Wildlife	/s/ Rebecca Peck 3-23-15
X	Threatened and Endangered Plants and Animals	/s/ Rebecca Peck 3-23-15
X	Migratory Birds	/s/ Rebecca Peck 3-23-15
	Surface Protection	
	Hazardous Materials	
X	Areas of Critical Environmental Concern	/s/ Rebecca Peck 3-23-15
	Visual Resources	
	Socio-Economics/Environmental Justice	
	General Botany/Noxious Weeds	
	Energy Policy	

Writer: /s/ Matthew Driscoll

Date: 3-23-15

Environmental Coordinator: /s/ Daryl Edwards

Date: 3-24-15

Field Manager: /s/ Ruben A. Sanchez

Date: 4-1-15

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

EA Number: DOI-BLM-AZ-C010-2015-0015-EA

Lease/Serial Case File No.

Bureau of Land Management, Kingman Field Office

Proposed Action Title/Type: Guided Motorized Tours (Commercial)

Location of Proposed Action: Existing roads, Jeep Trails, and Navigable Washes in T19N R21W, T20N R21W, T20N R20W, T19N R20W.

Applicant (if any): Marilyn Leisure DBA Kiwanis Club of the Colorado River

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Bullhead City, AZ 86439

CONFORMANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAND USE PLAN:

This proposed action is in conformance with the Kingman Resource Management Plan approved March 1995.

RR18/V Commercial and competitive recreation uses would continue to be accommodated through the issuance of special recreation permits. Proposals for these permits would be analyzed on a case-by-case basis. (Page 76)

PURPOSE AND NEED FOR PROPOSED ACTION:

The purpose for the action is to respond to a Special Recreation Permit application to conduct commercially guided motorized tours in the Black Mountains. The need is established by 43 CFR 8372 which requires authorization for commercial recreation activities on BLM-administered public land.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED ACTION ALTERNATIVE

The Kiwanis Club of the Colorado River has proposed to host a charitable Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) event on April 4th, 2015 in the Black Mountains Ecosystem. A Special Recreation Permit (SRP) would be issued for the duration of the event. The event would take place over a one day period during daytime on existing roads, Jeep trails, and navigable washes approved by BLM under the SRP (see attached map). 25-50 participants are expected to partake in the single day "poker run" style event. Participants would be given a card for their poker hand at various locations (see attached map). All card stops would take place in previously disturbed locations along the proposed event route so as to negate any vegetative disturbance. The event course would be marked with flagging up to 24 hours prior to the event and Kiwanis staff would be throughout the course at the various card stop locations and intersections to ensure event participants stay on the authorized routes. Any mechanical issues would be remediated off of public lands. No fueling would take place on public lands. Tread Lightly, Leave No Trace, and Guidelines for Handling Desert Tortoise would be explained and provided to all event participants prior to the commencement of the event.

DESCRIPTION OF NO ACTION ALTERNATIVE

Under the no action alternative a Special Recreation Permit would not be issued to Kiwanis Club of the Colorado River to conduct a commercial Poker Run on BLM-managed public lands. No direct or indirect impacts would occur to the affected environment under the No Action Alternative. The existing roads would remain open for vehicle use.

AFFECTED ENVIRONMENT/ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS:

The affected environment was considered and analyzed by an interdisciplinary team as documented in the KFO Project Scoping Form found in the Administrative Record for this proposal. Resources of concern that are either not present in the project area or would not be impacted to a degree that requires detailed analysis will not be

discussed here. Resources which could be impacted by the proposed action or alternatives are discussed below.

This section describes the existing conditions of the environment and expected impacts. The table below summarizes the resources reviewed for this project. Resources not present within the project study area, as well as those present and not affected, are not discussed. Those resources that have been identified by an interdisciplinary team as present and potentially affected are discussed further below.

PROJECT RESOURCE review			
Resources Considered	Not Present	Present and Not Affected	Present and/or Potentially Affected
Air Quality*	X		
Areas of Critical Environmental Concern*		X	
Cultural and Historic*		X	
Environmental Justice* / Socioeconomics	X		
Floodplains*	X		
Grazing	X		
Hazardous or Solid Waste*	X		
Invasive and Non-native Species*	X		
Land Use		X	
Migratory Birds*			X
Native American Religious Concerns*	X		
Prime and Unique Farmland*	X		
Threatened and Endangered Species and Critical Habitat*	X		
Vegetation			X
Visual Resources	X		
Water Quality*	X		
Wetland or Riparian Zones*	X		
Wild and Scenic Rivers*	X		
Wilderness*		X	
Wild Horse and Burro		X	
Wildlife, Candidate Species, and Proposed Species			X
* Consideration Required By Law or Executive Order			

Present and Not Affected

Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC): The proposed action occurs within the Bullhead Bajada Natural and Cultural ACEC. Various resource values exist within the Bullhead Bajada Natural and Cultural ACEC including the historic Beale Wagon Road, adjacent prehistoric resources, habitat for Arizona State-listed Sonoran Desert Tortoise, and other special status and sensitive species are present throughout the area. In addition, this ACEC is important as the complexity of the cultural sites makes it eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. However, as this action is limited to previously designated routes “open to all uses” under the Bullhead Travel Management Plan there would be “no affect” to values of the Bullhead Bajada Natural and Cultural ACEC.

Cultural and Historic: All routes to be utilized associated with the proposed action would be on routes designated as “open to all uses” in the Lake Havasu Field Office (LHFO) or on existing roads, Jeep trails, and navigable washes in the Kingman Field Office. Collection or disturbance of cultural resources would be prohibited in this proposed action and no new ground disturbance would be authorized, therefore there would be no impacts to cultural resources. The event route passes through or close to four sites determined to be eligible for inclusion of the National register of Historic Places. Participants in the event could potentially remove, damage, or otherwise alter or deface artifacts in this area or elsewhere along the rally route. Cultural resources in association with this event will not be affected if the mitigation measures on pages 6-7 of this environmental assessment and the attached Special Stipulations are followed.

Land Use: The proposed event course is within the Bureau of Land Management’s Bullhead Travel Management Area (TMA). Portions of the event course existing within this TMA have been previously evaluated by the BLM and designated as open to all uses, limited to motorized Administrative use only, or closed to all uses. All routes utilized in conjunction with this event would adhere to routes designated as “open to all uses,” therefore there would be no impact to land use or the travel management planning designations.

Minerals/Abandoned Mines Lands: The proposed action would not result in any damage or modification of any existing mining claims in the area and would not affect the mineral resources of the area. All abandoned mines proximate to the event course would be posted closed or fenced to keep event participants away from danger. In addition, all known mine features would be monitored by BLM staff prior to the event to ensure that all features are properly signed, fenced, or otherwise.

Wild Horse and Burro: The proposed action occurs within the Black Mountain Herd Management Area. Harassment and/or destruction of wild burros would be prohibited, no impact to wild burros would occur.

Proposed Action

Present and/or Potentially Affected

Migratory Birds: Multiple species of migratory birds occur along the proposed event course. The noise and disturbance created from event participants and people stopping to get cards might flush birds from their nests. However, as these activities are of a short duration (usually less than 30 minutes), birds would be able to return to their nests after the event participants pass and resume nesting without negatively affecting the survivability of eggs or nestlings.

Vegetation: Diverse types of vegetation occur along the proposed routes, but no motorized travel is permitted off of existing designated routes reducing the chance of vegetative disturbance. A potential for the crushing of

vegetation exists in the event of a motorized vehicle leaving the approved event course. However, through mitigating measures within the supplemental stipulations attached to the permit, the permittee would be responsible for reclamation activities associated with vegetative disturbance.

Wildlife, Candidate, and Proposed Species: Along the proposed event course multiple species of wildlife exist and can be seen. While the event is confined to existing designated roads, the presence of motorized vehicles and event participants or staff could cause short term disturbances (less than 30 minutes) and displacement of wildlife. Harassment of wildlife would be prohibited minimizing the affects to wildlife. Category 3 desert tortoise habitat exists along a majority of the proposed event course. Category III habitats are generally characterized by lower densities of desert tortoises minimizing the potential for tortoise encounters or fatalities. Category II desert tortoise habitat exist within the Bullhead Bajada Natural and Cultural ACEC. Within the ACEC the desert tortoise population has important genetic characteristics that differentiate this population from surrounding populations. Tortoises could be affected by handling of event participants, or injured or killed by vehicle encounters. Mitigating measures such as BLM staff monitoring and handing out the guidelines for handling desert tortoise would be in place to minimize the potential for tortoise harassment, injuries, or fatalities in the event of an encounter.

Bighorn sheep: The proposed routes would pass through bighorn sheep habitat, some of which could be used for lambing in the late winter and spring. Use of routes could result in bighorn being flushed from the area or water sources near the proposed event course. Disturbance to ewes that are pregnant or have lambs can cause increased heart rates and escape responses. This can result in lower survivorship of lambs. Special Stipulations such as limiting vehicle stops to designated areas, not exiting vehicles to approach or view bighorn, staying within 50 feet of designated card stop locations, and not permitting dogs to accompany event participants would help to mitigate and reduce potential human caused impacts to bighorn. In addition, as the duration of the event is short (1 day), it is unlikely that bighorn would abandon their habitat or water sources as a result of the event.

Recreation: Authorization of the proposed action would add to overall human presence and use of public lands in the Black Mountains. Participation in this event may introduce people to public lands they have not seen before, and could encourage them to make return visits which could lead to increased visits in the area, potentially affecting the carrying capacity of this area.

No Action Alternative

Present and/or Potentially Affected

No commercial Special Recreation Permit would be issued for a commercial Poker Run under the No Action Alternative. The applicant would not be able to promote tourism within the area. No resources would be affected as the proposed action would not be approved.

Cumulative Impacts

There would be no cumulative impacts to:

- Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC) as long as the event is limited to existing roads and designating stopping points and comply with all supplemental stipulations attached to the permit.

- Cultural resources as long as the event is limited to existing roads and participants follow stipulations prohibiting the entrance into historic buildings and the removal of any artifacts.

- Land use as long as the event follows designated routes “open to all uses” in the Lake Havasu Field Office and

existing roads, Jeep trails, and navigable washes in the Kingman Field Office.

-Mineral resources or human safety as long as participants follow stipulations restricting proximity to and entrance into mine features.

-Wild burros or horses in the area as long as the event is confined to existing roads and participants follow the stipulations.

-Migratory birds as long as the event follows approved routes and designated stopping locations.

-Vegetation as long as the event is limited to existing roads, Jeep trails, and navigable washes and designated card stop locations.

-T&E species, Candidate species, and BLM sensitive species as long as the event is limited to existing roads and designated stopping points and Special Stipulations are enforced.

-Recreational opportunity on public land as long as public access is maintained throughout the duration of the event. In addition, supplemental stipulations and educational materials would be handed out and explained to all event staff and participants prior to the event.

DESCRIPTION OF MITIGATION MEASURES AND RESIDUAL IMPACTS:

There would be no residual impacts with implementation of the proposed action if mitigating measures are applied.

Mitigation Measures:

1. Motorized poker run operations would be monitored by BLM staff for compliance with supplemental stipulations attached to the Special Recreation Permit and the Plan of Operations as provided by the permittee.
2. Care shall be taken not to disturb or destroy desert tortoises or their burrows. Pursuing, shooting, hunting, trapping, killing, capturing, snaring or netting desert tortoises are prohibited by Arizona State Statute. Any sightings of desert tortoise shall be immediately reported to the LHFO, Wildlife Biologist at (928) 505-1200. If a desert tortoise is endangered by any activity that activity shall cease until the desert tortoise moves out of harm's way on its own accord or is moved following the attached guidelines "Guidelines for Handling Sonoran Desert Tortoises Encountered on Development Projects."
3. Participants would be prohibited from approaching bighorn sheep on foot or by vehicle. Site visits to water tanks, wildlife catchments, or any other wildlife related facility are prohibited.
4. State protected plant species shall not be disturbed, damaged, or destroyed without prior authorization from the BLM. The taking of any threatened or endangered plant or animal is prohibited. All wildlife and migratory birds shall be observed from a distance. Any injured wildlife shall be reported to the Arizona Game & Fish Dept. at (928)342-0091. Harassment of wildlife, wild horses or burros, or destruction of private and public improvements such as fences and gates is prohibited.
5. To lessen the likelihood of impacts to cultural resources in the vicinity of the Beale Wagon Road and Mohave Trail, no stopping, parking, spectator activity or card collection shall occur within Sections 34 and 35, Township 20 North, Range 21 West.

PERSONS/AGENCIES CONSULTED:

This proposal was presented at the BLM/AGFD bi-weekly NEPA coordination meeting held on January 6, 2014. Persons expressing an interest in reviewing the proposal are listed on the attached KFO Scoping Form.

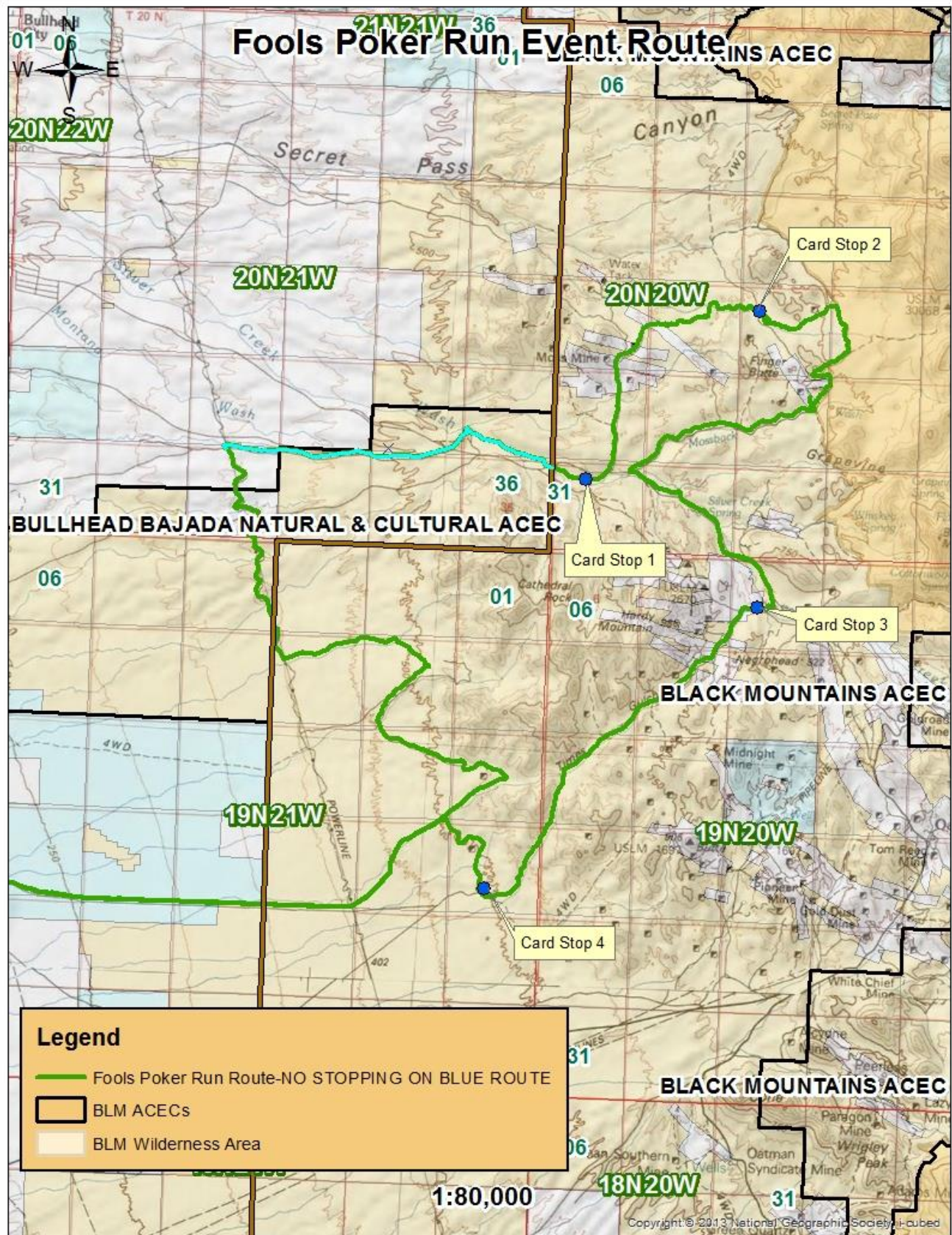
KFO BLM Specialists Consulted:

Rebecca Peck	Wildlife Biologist
Chad Benson	Wild Horse and Burro Specialist
Amanda Deeds	Outdoor Recreation Planner, LHFO
Jen House	Wildlife Biologist, LHFO
Jennifer Frederick McGuire	Archaeologist, LHFO and YFO

Preparer(s): Matthew Driscoll

Environmental Coordinator: Daryl Edwards

Attachment 1:



Attachment 2:



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BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
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**GUIDELINES FOR HANDLING DESERT TORTOISE ENCOUNTERED ON ROADS, VEHICLE
WAYS AND
PROJECT AREAS**

1. Stop your vehicle and allow the tortoise to move off the road.
 2. If the tortoise is not moving, gently** pick up the tortoise and move it approximately 200 feet off the road to a shaded location.
 - a. Do not turn the tortoise over.
 - b. Move the tortoise in the direction it was traveling. If it was crossing the road, move it in the direction it was crossing.
 - c. Keep the tortoise within 12-18 inches of the ground, move slowly so as not to cause it to become alarmed.
 - d. Release the tortoise under the shade of a bush or rock.
- ** Tortoise store water in their bladder. If a tortoise becomes alarmed its defense is to void its bladder onto the captor. This could lead to dehydration of the tortoise and potentially to death.
3. Prior to moving any parked vehicle or equipment at project sites, check for tortoise under the vehicle.



FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT/DECISION RECORD.

I have reviewed this environmental assessment including the explanation and resolution of any potentially significant environmental impacts. I have determined that the proposed action with the mitigation measures described below will not have any significant impacts on the human environment and that an EIS is not required. I have determined that the proposed project is in conformance with the approved land use plan. It is my decision to implement the project with the stipulations identified below.

Stipulations to attach to permit/Remarks:

See attached special stipulations and guidelines for handling desert tortoise.

Authorized Official: /s/ Ruben A. Sanchez Date: 4-1-15

Ruben Sanchez
Field Manager
Kingman Field Office

Authorized Official: /s/ Jason West Date: 3-30-15

Jason West
Field Manager, Acting
Lake Havasu Field Office

DECISION RECORD

KINGMAN FIELD OFFICE

Motorized Event (Commercial)

NEPA# DOI-BLM-AZ-C010-2015-0015-EA

It is my decision to authorize the Proposed Action with mitigation measures as described in Environmental Assessment **DOI-BLM-AZ-C010-2015-0015-EA**. This decision will result in the issuance of a commercial Special Recreation Permit to Todd Parker authorizing guided motorized tours in the Black Mountains on public lands.

Monitoring of this permit will be performed by the recreation staff of the Kingman Field Office. The staff will hand out and explain the tortoise handling guidelines (Attachment 2) to Kiwanis Club of the Colorado River prior to the issuance of the permit and stipulate that tortoise handling guidelines be explained to customers.

Rationale:

My decision to approve the Proposed Action analyzed in **DOI-BLM-AZ-C010-2015-0015-EA** is based on the following:

The Proposed Action has been analyzed, with no significant impacts anticipated, as stated in the FONSI signed on March 31, 2015 thus an Environmental Impact Statement is not required. The environmental assessment adequately covers all affected resource values.

Implementation of the proposed action with mitigation provides unique educational motorized touring opportunities in the Kingman area while reducing or eliminating environmental impacts to the Sonoran desert tortoise and its habitat.

The decision to allow the Proposed Action with mitigation measures does not result in any undue or unnecessary environmental degradation, and is in conformance with the *Kingman Resource Management Plan*.

Alternatives Considered:

Propose Action: The Kiwanis Club of the Colorado River has proposed to host a charitable Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) event on April 4th, 2015 in the Black Mountains Ecosystem. A Special Recreation Permit (SRP) would be issued initially for one year and upon successful completion of the permit, a multi-year SRP could be obtained. The event would take place over a one day period during daytime on existing roads, Jeep trails, and navigable washes approved by BLM under the SRP (see attached map). 25-50 participants are expected to partake in the single day “poker run” style event. Participants would be given a card for their poker hand at various locations (see attached map). All card stops would take place in previously disturbed locations near the proposed event route. The event course would be marked with flagging up to 24 hours prior to the event and Kiwanis staff would be throughout the course at the various card stop locations and intersections to ensure event participants stay on the authorized routes. Any mechanical issues would be remediated off of public lands. No fueling would take place on public lands. Tread Lightly, Leave No Trace, and Guidelines for Handling Desert Tortoise would be explained and provided to all event participants prior to the commencement of the event.

Mitigation Measures:

Fools Poker Run SRP

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No Action Alternative: No permit would be issued for commercially guided motorized tours on public lands under the "No Action" alternative.

Appeals:

In accordance with Title 43 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 2931.8(a) and (b), if you are adversely affected by this decision, you may appeal the decision under Title 43 CFR, Part 4 and Part 1840. This decision will go into effect immediately and will remain in effect while appeals are pending unless a stay is granted under 43 CFR 4.21(b).

Standards for Obtaining a Stay

Except as otherwise provided by law or other pertinent regulation, a petition for a stay of a decision pending appeal shall show sufficient justification based on the following standards:

- (1) The relative harm to the parties if the stay is granted or denied,
- (2) The likelihood of the appellant's success on the merits,
- (3) The likelihood of immediate and irreparable harm if the stay is not granted, and
- (4) Whether the public interest favors granting the stay.

Approved By:

/s/ Ruben A. Sanchez
Ruben Sanchez
Field Manager
Kingman Field Office

4-1-15
Date

/s/ Jason West
Jason West
Field Manager, Acting
Lake Havasu Field Office

4-1-15
Date

SPECIAL STIPULATIONS
for
2015 Fools Poker Run
Special Recreation Permit
#BLM-AZ-C010-2015-0015-EA

General

1. The permittee shall comply with all Federal, State, and Local laws, ordinances, regulations, orders, postings, or written requirements applicable to the area or operations covered by the Special Recreation Permit. The permittee shall ensure that all persons operating under the authorization have obtained all required Federal, State, and local licenses or registrations. The permittee shall make every reasonable effort to ensure compliance with these requirements by all agents of the permittee and by all clients, customers, participants, or spectators under the permittee's supervision.
2. A Special Recreation Permit authorizes special uses of the public lands and related waters and, should circumstances warrant, the permit may be modified by the BLM at any time, including the amount of use. The authorized officer may suspend a SRP if necessary to protect public resources, health, safety, the environment, or noncompliance with permit stipulations.
3. No value shall be assigned to or claimed for the permit, or for the occupancy or use of Federal lands or related waters granted thereupon. The permit privileges are not to be considered property on which the permittee shall be entitled to earn or receive any return, income, price or compensation. The use of a permit as collateral is not recognized by the BLM.
4. Unless expressly stated, the SRP does not create an exclusive right of use of an area by the permittee. The permittee shall not interfere with other valid uses of the Federal land by other users. The United States reserves the right to use any part of the area for any purpose.
5. The permittee or permittee's representative may not assign, contract, or sublease any portion of the permit authorization or interest therein, directly or indirectly, voluntarily or involuntarily. However, the authorized officer may approve contracting of equipment or services in advance, if necessary to supplement a permittee's operations. Such contracting should not constitute more than half the required equipment or services for any one trip and the permittee must retain operational control of the permitted activity. If equipment or services are contracted, the permittee shall continue to be responsible for compliance with all stipulations and conditions of the permit.
6. All advertising and representations made to the public and the authorized officer must be accurate. Although the addresses and telephone numbers of the BLM may be included in advertising materials, official agency symbols may not be used. The permittee shall not use advertising that attempts to portray or represent the activities as being conducted by the BLM. The permittee may not portray or represent the permit fee as a special Federal user's tax. The permittee must furnish the authorized officer with any current brochure and price list if requested by the authorized officer.
7. The permittee must assume responsibility for inspecting the permitted area for any existing or new hazardous conditions, e.g., trail and route conditions, land-slides, avalanches, rocks, changing water or weather conditions, falling limbs or trees, submerged objects, hazardous wildlife, or other hazards that present risks for which the permittee assumes responsibility.
8. In the event of default on any mortgage or other indebtedness, such as bankruptcy, creditors shall not succeed to the operating rights or privileged of the permittee's SRP.

9. The permittee cannot, unless specifically authorized, erect, construct, or place any building, structure, or other fixture on public lands. Upon leaving, the lands must be restored as nearly as possible to pre-existing conditions.
10. The permittee must present or display a copy of the Special Recreation Permit to an authorized officer's representative, or law enforcement personnel upon request. If required, the permittee must display a copy of the permit or other identification tag on equipment used during the period of authorized use.
11. The authorized officer, or other duly authorized representative of the BLM, may examine any of the records or other documents related to the permit, the permittee or the permittee's operator, employee, or agent for up to three (3) years after expiration of the permit.
12. The term of the permit shall be for duration of the event which starts and ends on April 4th, 2015 and has the potential to be renewed upon satisfactory performance of the SRP.
13. A Post Use Report shall be submitted to the BLM Authorized Officer, and will include a detailed summary of the number of vehicles, along with the number of drivers and passengers involved. If the Post Use Report is not received by the established deadline of May 4th, 2015 then the permit will be suspended and/or fines assessed.
14. The applicant/permittee is required to provide the Authorized Officer with a copy of a valid insurance policy or proof thereof covering the periods of use, before any use under this permit begins. The required minimum general liability limits are: \$500,000 per occurrence and \$1,000,000 annual aggregate for bodily injury; and \$30,000 annual aggregate for property damage. The U.S. Government must be named as additional insured on the policy. All liability policies are to specify that the insurance company shall have no right of subrogation (substitution) against the United States of America. The permittee shall indemnify and hold harmless the United States against any liability for personal injury, loss of life, or property damage arising in any way from activities under the permit.
15. The permittee shall pay BLM a Special Recreation Permit (SRP) fee of \$105, effective March 1, 2014. The permittee shall pay BLM 3% of the gross receipts; or the minimum SRP fee, whichever is greater. The minimum advance fee of \$105.00 will be required.
16. The permittee shall notify the authorized officer of any accident that occurs while involved in activities authorized by this permit which results in: death, personal injury requiring hospitalization or emergency evacuation, or in property damage greater than \$2,500 (lesser amounts if established by State law). Reports should be submitted within 48 hours in the case of death or injury, or 10 days in accidents involving property damage.
17. The permit shall not be construed in any way as preventing public use or access on any public lands except as expressly allowed under the permit.
18. Harassment of livestock, wildlife, or destruction of private and public improvements such as fences and gates is prohibited. The taking of any threatened or endangered plant or animal is prohibited.
19. Harassment and/or destruction of wild burros is prohibited under the Wild Free-Roaming Horse and Burro Act of 1971, 43 CFR4770.1 (a, b, and c). Any violations of the prohibited acts under §4770.1 may result in suspension or cancellation of the permit (§4770.2 (a)) and/or criminal penalties under § 4770.5.
20. The collection of artifacts or disturbance of archaeological resources on Federal Lands is prohibited and is prosecutable under the Archaeological Resources Protection Act. Disturbance of human graves are also prohibited. Actions other than those explicitly approved by the Bureau of Land Management, which result in impacts upon archaeological or historical resources, shall be subject to the provisions of the

Archaeological Resources Protection Act of 1979 as amended and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976. The permittee will immediately bring to the attention of the Authorized Officer any archaeological or historical resources encountered during permitted operations and maintain the integrity of such resources pending subsequent investigation.

21. Special collection of artifacts (either historic or prehistoric) or fossils, by permittee or participants on or near any designated route is prohibited. The definition of an artifact is anything over 50 years old that has been made, used or modified by a human. Permittee is required to inform all participants that collecting artifacts, theft or vandalism of any cultural property is a violation of the above mentioned Federal and/or State laws.
22. The permittee would ensure that stopping, parking, spectator activity or card collection would occur in Sections 33, 34 and 35, Township 20 North, Range 21 West. This would mitigate any potential impacts to cultural resources in the area.
23. The permittee would practice Leave No Trace and Tread Lightly! Outdoor Ethics principles.
24. The permittee would mount a bright orange flag to the back of staff and participant vehicles during hunting season to reduce the potential for shooting hazards.
25. Any open mine shafts, abandoned mine structures, and/or wilderness intrusions observed by the permitted would be documented and reported to the BLM Authorized Officer within 24 hours of discovery.
26. All known mineshafts and/or abandoned mine structures would be fenced or filled before authorization of the special recreation permit.
27. Failure to comply with permit stipulations may result in denial of future permit authorizations for these events, or revocation of permits already issued.

Ride Operations

28. All motorized equipment activity associated with stopping areas, including start/finish, card stops or restroom breaks would be conducted within a reasonable distance from the traveled portion of the road. No vehicle travel (including parking, turn-around, detours, etc.) outside of this corridor would be permitted unless authorized in advance by the BLM Authorized Officer.
29. All vehicles shall stay on the authorized routes. Straying from the approved event routes is prohibited. In the event of vehicle breakdown, vehicles shall be moved to the side of the road, but shall not be moved into areas of existing vegetation. All vehicles shall be removed from the site within 24 hours of the end of the vehicle breakdown.
30. No servicing of any motor vehicle would be permitted on any public land. In the event of mechanical trouble, vehicles would be transported to an appropriate service facility or location.
31. Vehicle stops are only allowed at the designated locations as displayed in the map contained in the EA. All other vehicle stops (other than restroom breaks) outside of the permitted routes are prohibited.
32. In the event of vehicles leaving the established road (for whatever reason), removal of the vehicle and reclamation (raking of surface disturbance, appropriate removal of spilled oil/fuel, re-vegetation, seeding) of disturbed areas will be required to the satisfaction of the BLM Authorized Officer.
33. Nothing in this permit implies permission to use non-Federal land administered by the BLM. It shall be the responsibility of the permittee to coordinate the event with Arizona State Lands Department (ASLD) as necessary, and to obtain written authorization to cross or utilize non-BLM administered land such as ASLD, Mohave County Road Department, Arizona Department of Transportation and private property.

34. Under no circumstances shall the permittee mark the routes by placing signs, painting rocks or painting plants.
35. All gates along the routes shall be left as they are found.
36. Permittee would be responsible for handling emergency situations by calling 911 and/or appropriate emergency services.
37. In the event that a vehicle injures livestock or wild burros, BLM personnel and/or the grazing permittee in the area would be immediately contacted to make an evaluation of the animal's condition. Under no circumstance would any person other than BLM personnel or the animal's owner be permitted to make a final evaluation of the animal's condition, or to destroy an animal that appears to be suffering.
38. All migratory birds shall be observed from a distance. Any injured wildlife shall be reported to the Arizona Game & Fish Dept. at (928)342-0091.
39. The speed limit for all vehicles involved shall be 25 miles per hour on public land.
40. Permittee will ensure that ride participants stay no less than 15 feet away from open mine shafts and historic buildings. Under no circumstances may the permittee or participants enter historic buildings or mineshafts.
41. All motor vehicle use will be conducted in a safe manner; reckless driving and/or excessive speed are permit violations.
42. All motor vehicle use will comply with existing local off-highway vehicle regulations. "Local off-highway vehicle regulations" refer to BLM Off-highway vehicle designations on BLM administered lands as established in the Resource Management Planning process, or in emergency closures authorized by a BLM manager.
43. No one is permitted to leave the vehicles to approach or view bighorn sheep.
44. No dogs are allowed in association with the event.
45. Event staff and participants must stay within 50 ft. of designated card stop locations.

Roadway Surface Concerns

46. There would be no mechanized modification of the existing roadway by the permittee. Should mechanized maintenance be required, the permittee would submit a description of the proposed repair/maintenance for review and approval of the BLM prior to conducting maintenance to the road.
47. BLM reserves the right to postpone or cancel the event if weather conditions create a soft road surface that would be conducive to unacceptable road damage by staff or participant vehicles.
48. Permittee would monitor road conditions for ruts greater than two inches deep. If such conditions occur during the event, the motorized operations would cease until weather and road conditions improve.